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1. claims: 1-26,41

Plant for the production of logs of web material comprising a plurality of carriages which transfer the reels from a loading station to an unwinder, sustain the reels during unwinding and convey the mandrels back to a recovery area.

2. claims: 27-40

Carriage for supporting reels of web material wound on mandrels comprising a rolling track of said mandrels and a device for locking said mandrels in a position along the rolling track.

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